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IN RE DIVISIONAL APPLICATION OF: William J. Curatolo, et al.

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FOR: Controlled-Release Dosage Forms of Azithromycin

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postar Service as F151 class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on <u>June 4, 2001</u>, and having an original period for response of <u>3 months</u>, which was set to expire on <u>September 4</u>, 2001, be extended by 3 month(s), such that it expires on <u>December 4</u>, 2001.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$920.00 as provided for under 37 C.F.R. §1.17, as well as any additional fees required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1445. Two copies of this paper are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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